REMARKS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated March 27, 2006.

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment indicates that Claim 26 has been marked with an incorrect status identifier. Applicants have amended Claim 26 accordingly to indicate that Claim 26 is new. Applicants submit that the revised claim is now in compliance with the requirements set forth under 37 C.F.R. §1.121.

No fees are believed due with this Response. However, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-1818 for any fees due and owing in connection with this Response.

An earnest endeavor has been made to place this application in condition for formal allowance and in the absence of more pertinent art such action is courteously solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this Response, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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